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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of MANSMANN
Serial No. 10/677,444
Filed October 2, 2003

Examiner: C.L. Miller
Group Art Unit: 3738

Title: IMPLANTS FOR REPLACING CARTILAGE, HAVING NEGATIVELY-CHARGED HYDROGEL SURFACES AND FLEXIBLE MATRIX REINFORCEMENT

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PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Applicant hereby requests a 3-month extension of time, from June 3 to Sept. 6, 2006, to file a response in the above-identified application. A check for $510 is enclosed. If any questions arise, contact the undersigned at 314-822-8558.

Respectfully submitted,

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